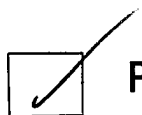


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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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REFERENCE: Multiple Addressee Memorandum dated 12 June 1981 from DD/L,
Same Subject (OL 1 2453)

1. As requested in the referent, the Chief, Information Management Staff (IMS), DO, Director of Data Processing, Director of Communications, and the Director of Logistics met on 25 June to discuss a number of options for the procurement of data/word processing equipment in support of Project CRAFT. Each of these options is discussed in more detail in the attachment to the referent. []

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2. In addition to the considerations mentioned in the referent, the Director of Communications made a strong plea to select, soonest, a system which could be used on a trial basis in actual domestic and field locations, in order to ascertain problems associated with personnel training, communications, maintenance, and other operational parameters. IMS, for their part, has been suggesting for some time the immediate acquisition of eight systems at a cost of approximately \$2 million, which could be used by them for gaining similar experience. Since the WANG system currently under procurement by the Department of State is the only word processing system immediately available which meets the data processing requirements stipulated by IMS in their requirements documentation, it was agreed that WANG should be the system purchased to meet this initial requirement for gaining operational experience with an overseas data processing system. []

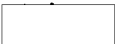
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3. Regarding the long-term procurement of the total CRAFT system, it was agreed that several courses of action would be pursued simultaneously. IMS and OC would use the eight systems in order to evaluate the WANG equipment in an operational environment. Concurrently, the Office of Data Processing would continue with the preparation of their specifications


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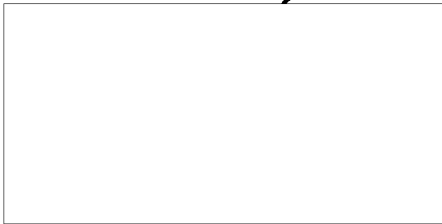
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for a "family" of processors which would include at the upper end of the
scale a system which may or may not meet most of the IMS requirements.
Then, should the WANG equipment fail to meet expectations during the
trial period, IMS might be in a position to accept the generic system
for possible application abroad. 

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